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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—2009–10 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 2670

Introduced by Assembly Member John A. Perez

February 19, 2010

An act to add Article 4 (commencing with Section 8195) to Chapter 2.8 of Division 1 of Title 2 of the Government Code, relating to the State Capitol Sustainability Task Force.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 2670, as amended, John A. Perez. State Capitol Sustainability Task Force.

Existing law authorizes the Director of General Services to repair and alter buildings within the Capitol area, as defined.

This bill would establish the State Capitol Sustainability Task Force consisting of the California State Senate, the California State Assembly, the Office of the Governor, and the Office of the Lieutenant Governor to coordinate, develop, and complete a State Capitol–sustainability initiative *Sustainability Initiative* to further the sustainability practices at the State Capitol Building, the Legislative Office Building, and the State Capitol Park grounds.

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: yes.
State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

- 1 SECTION 1. The Legislature finds and declares the following:
- 2 (a) California's State Capitol opened in 1869, and is now ~~140~~
- 3 *141* years old. In the mid-1970s, the State Capitol underwent a

1 major restoration and renovation, reopening to the public in 1982.
2 As one of the state's most historic and visible structures, the State
3 Capitol ~~presents~~ *Building and grounds present* a unique opportunity
4 to showcase sustainable practices, demonstrate environmental
5 leadership, and provide *environmental* educational opportunities
6 to ~~its~~ nearly 800,000 annual visitors.

7 (b) Operations at the State Capitol must become *even* more
8 sustainable, with ~~our~~ *renewed* efforts focused on energy efficiency,
9 water conservation, reductions in greenhouse gas emissions,
10 *alternative fuel vehicles*, waste diversion and recycling,
11 improvements in indoor air quality, the use of renewable energy
12 sources, and the purchase of environmentally friendly products.

13 (c) The California State Legislature has instituted a number of
14 these practices already, including replacing computer monitors
15 with more energy-efficient flat screens, purchasing recycled content
16 carpeting and other products, using low volatile organic compound
17 paints, electronically distributing certain documents, and upgrading
18 the fuel efficiency of the vehicle fleet through the purchase of
19 hybrids. These activities save money and protect the environment;
20 however, clearly more can be done to implement sustainable
21 practices in the State Capitol.

22 SEC. 2. Article 4 (commencing with Section 8195) is added
23 to Chapter 2.8 of Division 1 of Title 2 of the Government Code,
24 to read:

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26 Article 4. State Capitol Sustainability Task Force
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28 8195. There is hereby established the State Capitol
29 Sustainability Task Force, referred to as the task force for purposes
30 of this article, consisting of the California State Senate and the
31 California State Assembly, the Office of the Governor, and the
32 Office of the Lieutenant Governor.

33 8195.1. (a) The task force shall coordinate, develop, and
34 complete a State Capitol ~~sustainability initiative~~ *Sustainability*
35 *Initiative* for the State Capitol, including the State Capitol Building,
36 the Legislative Office Building, and the State Capitol Park grounds.

37 (b) The duties of the task force include, *but are not limited to*,
38 the following:

39 (1) Joining the California Climate Action Registry to determine,
40 track, and reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

1 (2) Benchmarking and monitoring building operations, such as
2 energy and water use.

3 (3) Increasing the overall fuel economy and fuel diversity of
4 the vehicle fleet.

5 (4) Improving waste diversion practices, ~~such as~~ *including*
6 material and electronic waste recycling, composting, and reusing
7 materials.

8 (5) Investing in energy efficiency and water conservation
9 technologies.

10 (6) Promoting environmentally preferable purchasing, such as
11 green and recycled content products.

12 (7) Incorporating renewable energy, such as photovoltaic
13 technology, into our energy supply.

14 (8) Integrating sustainable practices, such as double-sided
15 copying, the use of low volatile organic compound paints,
16 integrated pest management, and electronic distribution of certain
17 documents.

18 (9) Partnering with utility companies, water districts, labor
19 organizations, environmental groups, federal and local government,
20 and private industry to develop green demonstration projects at
21 the State Capitol.

22 (10) Seeking a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design
23 (LEED) or ENERGY STAR rating.

24 (11) Developing ~~public~~ *environmental* education materials ~~on~~
25 ~~sustainability~~ for student groups and other visitors to the State
26 Capitol.

27 (12) Finalizing the Capitol Park Master Plan, *including*
28 *improving bicycle access to the park and establishing bicycle paths*
29 *for those portions of Capitol Avenue and 13th Street that are within*
30 *the park grounds.*